

# Business Bulletin

## *Iris Ghnothaichean*



The Scottish Parliament  
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

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**followed by** Business Motions

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Business Programme agreed by the Parliament on 17 May 2016

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## Future Committee Meetings

The future business of the Parliament has not yet been agreed to.

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## Motions

Motions and amendments are usually printed the day after lodging. When an amendment is lodged, then the original motion will be republished alongside it.

### Motions and amendments can be published with symbols:

- \* before the number indicates publication for the first time
- \*...\* around a section of text indicates changes to previously published material
- R indicates a member has declared a registered interest

The Parliamentary Bureau periodically deletes motions or amendments that are over six weeks old and not scheduled for debate.

Questions regarding this section should be directed to the Chamber Desk.

## Motions for Debate

**\*S5M-00190 Fiona Hyslop: Scotland's Future in the European Union—**That the Parliament supports Scotland and the rest of the UK remaining part of the EU.

Supported by: Alasdair Allan\*

## Other new and altered motions and amendments

**\*S5M-00191 Bill Kidd: Congratulates Glasgow Organisations on Awards for All Scotland Grants—**That the Parliament congratulates the Yoker Bowling Club, the Royal British Legion Scotland Knightswood & District Branch and SportInspired on receiving a total award of £26,216 from Awards for All Scotland; understands that Athis is a joint programme between Big Lottery Fund Scotland and sportscotland, which gives groups funding for projects that aim to help improve local communities; understands that Yoker Bowling Club will use its £6,249 award for new windows and lighting, the Royal British Legion Scotland Knightswood & District Branch will use its £9,977 award for renovating its facilities and upgrading music equipment, and SportInspired will use its £9,990 award for after schools sport sessions for children and young people; thanks these organisations for all the great work that they do to better the community, and wishes the staff, participants and volunteers of all these organisations continued success in the future.

**\*S5M-00189 Ruth Maguire: This Man Cares—**That the Parliament notes the Ayrshire College social media campaign, #ThisManCares, and its event on 26 May 2016, Men in Care, which encourages men to consider a career in the health and social care sector; believes this is a hugely worthwhile initiative as tackling occupational segregation not only progresses gender equality but is also beneficial to Scotland's overall social and economic wellbeing; further believes that this will also help ensure that everyone's skills are being used to their full potential and that the pool of talent available to employers is not inhibited by stereotypical perceptions of what men and women "do", and encourages men to consider the many varied, rewarding career opportunities that the health and social care sector offers.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Ash Denham\*, Bill Kidd\*, Mairi Evans\*, Alison Johnstone\*, John Finnie\*, Graeme Dey\*, Clare Haughey\*

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**\*S5M-00181 Rhoda Grant: Moray Charity Award**—That the Parliament congratulates the recycling charity, Moray Waste Busters, on being awarded two coveted new accreditations, the European Foundation for Quality Management certification from Quality Scotland and REVOLVE recertification through Zero Waste Scotland; recognises that these hard won accreditations give the public confidence in the goods and services provided; understands that, since the charity was set up in 2002, it has diverted 750,000 items away from landfill back into the community for reuse; notes that the charity is a social enterprise that puts profit back into growing the organisation, and wishes it continued success with its environmental impact programme.

Supported by: Douglas Ross\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**\*S5M-00180 Jackson Carlaw: Eastwood Voters Deliver Highest Turnout in Scotland**—That the Parliament congratulates the voters of Eastwood in delivering the highest turnout in Scotland for the Scottish Parliament elections; understands that the turnout in Eastwood was 68.5% in both the constituency and regional votes; notes that this figure represents a 5% increase since 2011; believes that this is a positive increase in voting turnout; considers however that more must be done consistently to improve voter engagement and give others more reason to vote, and looks forward to Eastwood continuing to lead voter turnout in 2021.

Supported by: Liz Smith\*, Douglas Ross\*, Alexander Burnett\*, Liam Kerr\*, Miles Briggs\*, Ross Greer\*

**\*S5M-00179 Jackson Carlaw: Yom Hazikaron 2016**—That the Parliament recognises Yom Hazikaron 2016, which is the Israeli Day of Remembrance for those who have fallen in Israel's armed conflicts and for those who have lost loved ones due to acts of terrorism; believes that many in Eastwood will have been remembering the life of Yoni Jesner; notes that Yoni was a former pupil of Belmont House School in Newton Mearns who planned to be a medical doctor; acknowledges that Yoni was only 19 when his life was cut short on 19 September 2002 when he and 5 others were murdered in a Tel Aviv suicide bombing; commends the subsequent decision of his parents to allow for Yoni's organs to be donated to save the life of a young Palestinian girl, Yasmin Abu Ramila, who had experienced kidney failure since birth; thanks the Yoni Jesner

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Foundation for its continued work on various issues, and continues to believe that engagement and dialogue will always be more successful in the long term than acts of terror.

Supported by: Murdo Fraser\*, Douglas Ross\*, Bill Kidd\*, Miles Briggs\*, Adam Tomkins\*, John Lamont\*

**\*S5M-00178 Jackson Carlaw: 75 years Since Rudolf Hess' Flight to Scotland—**That the Parliament remembers that 10 May 2016 marked 75 years since Rudolf Hess landed in Floors Farm, Eaglesham on his purported peace mission; understands that Hess parachuted out of his small Messerschmitt fighter-bomber as he was running out of fuel and was being pursued by the RAF; notes that he was found by the local farmer, David McLean, to whom he introduced himself as a Captain Alfred Horn, before McLean's mum was making him a cup of tea by the fireside of the farm cottage; recognises that, thereafter, Hess was taken to a Home Guard Unit on Busby Road before being taken to Giffnock Police Station; understands that Hess was then held in various institutions before being transferred to Nuremberg in October 1945 to face trial for war crimes, and believes that stories from World War II, such as this, play an important role in bringing a local and memorable aspect to those who are learning about some of the most important aspects of shared history.

Supported by: Alexander Burnett\*, Douglas Ross\*, Miles Briggs\*, Murdo Fraser\*, Liz Smith\*, John Lamont\*

**\*S5M-00177 Christina McKelvie: Hamilton Ramblers Club Awards for All Scotland Grant—**That the Parliament welcomes the recent £3,110 Awards for All Scotland grant from the Big Lottery Fund to the Hamilton Ramblers Club; understands that the funding will be used to help the club to develop its activities by providing outings and obtaining technology to help plan and map its walks; welcomes the opportunities that this grant gives to the group, and commends Awards for All Scotland for the funding that it provides to groups across Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Mairi Evans\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*

**\*S5M-00176 Christina McKelvie: Sportworx Entertainment, Awards for All Scotland Grant—**That the Parliament welcomes the recent £9,967 Awards for All Scotland grant from the Big Lottery Fund to Sportworx Entertainment; understands that this will pay for training, uniforms, hall hire and equipment to increase the availability of dance and sport sessions; notes that the group is run by volunteers, youth clubs and community groups; welcomes the opportunities that this grant gives to the group to continue to provide positive opportunities to be involved in sport and dance, and commends Awards for All Scotland for the funding that it provides to such groups across Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse.

Supported by: Mairi Evans\*, Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*

**\*S5M-00175 Christina McKelvie: Burnbank Hamilton Bowling Club, Awards for All Scotland Grant—**That the Parliament welcomes the recent £10,000 Awards for All Scotland grant to Burnbank Hamilton Bowling Club; understands that this will fund the upgrade of the club's heating system and lounge area; welcomes this support and the opportunity for the club to continue to be a welcoming place for members and friends to come together both socially and through bowls, and commends Awards for All Scotland for the funding that it provides to such groups across Hamilton, Larkhall and Stonehouse.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Clare Haughey\*

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**\*S5M-00174 Mairi Evans: Awards for All Angus North and Mearns Funding**—That the Parliament congratulates the organisations in Angus North and Mearns that have recently received a total of £25,500 in Awards for All Scotland funding; understands that £10,000 has been awarded to Andover Primary School in Brechin for outdoor play resources; notes that a further £10,000 has been awarded to the 1st Hillside Scout Group for flooring and fittings for its new scout hall; welcomes the £5,500 awarded to the Strathmore Rugby Club for new fencing and access, and commends Awards for All Scotland for the funding that it provides across Angus North and Mearns, which it believes makes such a significant difference to deserving groups.

Supported by: Ben Macpherson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*, Graeme Dey\*

**\*S5M-00173 Christina McKelvie: Life-saving Cadet Force Officer, Christopher Peacock**—That the Parliament congratulates the Larkhall-based Army Cadet Force officer, Christopher Peacock, on saving the life of a teenager whom he dragged from a burning car thanks to his prompt action in seeing the immediate danger due to the fire and smoke; notes the comments of Colonel Patrick O'Meara who said that Lt Peacock acted with immense compassion for a fellow human being and with courage and determination, and welcomes that this will be recognised in June 2016 with Christopher receiving the Order of St John award at ceremony in Edinburgh Castle.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Clare Haughey\*

**\*S5M-00172 Christina McKelvie: Applebank Inn, Best Independent Bar**—That the Parliament congratulates everyone at The Applebank Inn at Millheugh on it getting to the final of the Scottish Hospitality and Entertainment Awards 2016 and winning the best independent bar award in its category; notes that the Applebank was only recently taken over and believes that this title shows the positive changes that the new management has made to serve the customers; understands that the awards attract over 1,000 businesses annually, and hopes that the inn continues to operate to the high standards that it has shown to its customers.

Supported by: Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-00171 Christina McKelvie: Success of Hamilton Athlete Robert Gilroy**—That the Parliament congratulates Robert Gilroy, who is an athlete from Hamilton, on his recent successes; notes that he broke the over-40s record at the Strathclyde Park 5K, gained a silver medal at the British Masters' Road Relay Championships for over-35s at Sutton Coldfield and then travelled straight back to Scotland to win the Monklands' half-marathon the next day for the 12th successive year in a time of 1 hour 11 seconds, four minutes faster than his time in 2015; notes that Robert achieved all of this despite just returning from an Achilles' heel injury; believes that remarkable feats such as this can be an encouragement to all, and hopes that these will encourage more people to get out there and run.

Supported by: George Adam\*, Bruce Crawford\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Bill Kidd\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, John Lamont\*

**\*S5M-00170 Christina McKelvie: Darjay School of Tae Kwon-Do**—That the Parliament congratulates the Darjay School of Tae Kwon-Do from Larkhall on its ongoing success; understands that the club, which has only been running for a few years, is making positive strides forward; notes that it includes the father and son, Scott and Lee McKendrick, who recently gaining their black belt grading and that the club now has nine black belts including, adults and children, who will be attending the World Championships; believes that the success of clubs such as this is highly beneficial to communities as outlets for all to take part in physical activity; notes that people can gain from the positive aspects of such disciplines that are required to progress to get to black

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belt level, and hopes that the club can continue to attract new members and develop further as a community resource for the good of all involved.

Supported by: Mairi Evans\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-00169 Christina McKelvie: Ernst and Young 2016 Scotland Attractiveness**

**Survey**—That the Parliament welcomes the recent publication of the 2016 Ernst and Young Scotland attractiveness survey; understands that it shows a record-breaking level of inward investment in 2015, with 119 foreign direct investment projects; further understands that this is a 51% increase compared with 2014; notes that this also represents an increase in comparison with the previous high of 88, which recorded in the first study in 1997, and believes that this level of inward investment is proof of the effectiveness of the Scottish Government's economic strategy and further evidence of Scotland's international appeal as an outward looking and innovative nation.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Clare Haughey\*, Graeme Dey\*, Sandra White\*, Mairi Evans\*, John Mason\*, Michael Russell\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**\*S5M-00168 Neil Bibby: Paisley Hosts British Pipe Band Championships**—That the Parliament notes the success of the 2016 British Pipe Band Championships, which took place at St James' playing fields in Paisley; considers that the championships are one of the biggest events in world piping, with a record entry of 147 bands and around 4,000 pipers and drummers; congratulates everyone who took part, including Johnstone Pipe Band, which secured third place in Grades 2 and 4B, and the 15,000 people who attended and created a fantastic atmosphere; notes that the championships are organised by the Royal Scottish Pipe Band Association and were hosted by Renfrewshire Council as part of the build-up to Paisley's bid for UK City of Culture 2021; understands that this was the first of a three-year run for the championships in Paisley, and looks forward to next year's event.

Supported by: Mairi Evans\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Neil Findlay\*, Mary Fee\*, Iain Gray\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-00167 Alison Johnstone: Empowering More Communities to Hibs it**—That the Parliament welcomes celebrations in Leith following Hibernian FC's 2015-16 Scottish Cup victory; believes that the end of a 114-year "curse" has inspired a sense of liberation for the community of Hibernian fans; considers that this is evidence of the unique potential for sport to unite communities around positive goals and shared identity; condemns any violence in Scottish sport as unacceptable, and supports efforts by fans across Scotland to take greater responsibility for the role that their clubs play in representing their local communities, including through community ownership.

Supported by: Andy Wightman\*, John Mason\*, Ross Greer\*

**\*S5M-00166 Bruce Crawford: Stirling Scottish Marathon**—That the Parliament welcomes the launch of the Stirling Scottish Marathon, which will be held for the first time on 21 May 2017; notes that it will take in some of the breathtaking sights around the Stirlingshire countryside, and will incorporate some of the area's most famous historic landmarks along the way, such as Doune Castle, and understands that it will start at Blair Drummond Safari Park and finish under the shadow of Stirling Castle.

Supported by: Rona Mackay\*, Stuart McMillan\*, Jackie Baillie\*, Mairi Evans\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Brian Whittle\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*

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**\*S5M-00165 Jackie Baillie: Habbie to Jeely-Eater, An Autobiography of Rev Ian Miller**—That the Parliament welcomes the publication of the autobiography of Reverend Ian Miller; notes that the book, *Habbie to Jeely-Eater*, charts the course of the Church of Scotland minister's life so far, from his birthplace in Kilbarchan to his 38-year service at Bonhill Parish Church, where he is believed to have presided over 4,000 weddings, 6,000 funerals and around 3,000 baptisms; further notes that Reverend Miller is a well-known and popular figure who has campaigned tirelessly on issues affecting his local community, notably during his service as a member of the Argyll and Clyde health board where he fought to retain services at the Vale of Leven Hospital; understands that the launch of the book is being celebrated at a number of events across West Dunbartonshire, Renfrewshire, Helensburgh and Lomond, with any profits from the book shared equally between Bonhill Parish Church and the Oncology Unit at the Beatson West of Scotland Cancer Centre, and wishes Reverend Miller a long and happy retirement.

Supported by: Stuart McMillan\*, Iain Gray\*, Bob Doris\*

**\*S5M-00164 Lewis Macdonald: Soil Association Recognition for Aberdeen City Council's School Catering Staff**—That the Parliament commends Aberdeen City Council's school catering staff on gaining the Silver Food For Life Catering Mark award from the Soil Association; understands that the Soil Association Food for Life Catering Marks recognise organisations and institutions that use organic produce, ethical and environmentally-friendly food and locally sourced ingredients, and take steps to offer healthier menus; recognises that Aberdeen City Council, which serves nearly 8,000 schools meals every day, is only the second local authority in Scotland to reach this standard, and commends all those involved in improving the quality of the food served in the city's schools.

Supported by: Jackie Baillie\*, Richard Lyle\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**\*S5M-00163 Lewis Macdonald: Awards for All Funding in Aberdeen**—That the Parliament congratulates the Aberdeen City schools and organisations that have benefited from the latest Awards for All Scotland funding, a scheme run jointly by the Big Lottery Fund and sportscotland to administer grants between £500 and £10,000 for projects that aim to improve local communities; understands that Ashley Road School has been awarded £9,506 to fund a new outdoor play area, while Kirkhill Primary School Nursery has secured £9,428 to install play equipment in the school grounds; further notes that the St Machar Parent Support Project has been awarded £5,000 to fund an activity programme during the summer holidays and that Woodside Community Centre will receive £7,510 to provide summer day trips for families in the area that need additional support; commends the Myasthenia Gravis Association North of Scotland Branch on being awarded £9,010 to pay for accommodation and travel costs that will allow North East members to attend their organisation's annual conference, and congratulates all the organisations on securing further funding for their important projects from Awards for All Scotland.

Supported by: Iain Gray\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-00162 Willie Coffey: Equine-facilitated Learning Project**—That the Parliament congratulates Jane Wilson Forrest from Kilmarnock on being awarded £4,000 from the Social Entrepreneurs Fund; notes that Jane has secured the funding to set up an equine-facilitated learning project, delivered both on site at a facility in East Ayrshire and through a mobile service for schools and community groups; commends Jane's hard work and clear passion for this project, and wishes her every success in making it a reality.

**\*S5M-00161 George Adam: Glenvale AFC 2002's Champions**—That the Parliament congratulates the Glenvale AFC 2002's, who recently won the Paisley, Johnstone and District

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Youth Football League Division 1 with one game in the season to go; notes that the team, which is based in the Ferguslie area of Paisley, beat its competition from teams from Lanarkshire, Glasgow, Inverclyde and Renfrewshire as it took top spot in the association's top league; acknowledges the team's past achievements, winning the league in 2016, playing the whole season undefeated, winning the Winton Murdoch and West Regions cups last year while also winning the Blackpool Cup and beating teams from England and across Europe; commends the effort and commitment of all involved with the club, but gives special mention to the manager, Davie Borland, who has been coaching the players since they were five; wishes the club well for the future, and hopes that the team returns to Paisley with the David Mushet Cup, playing Airdrie in the final on 29 May.

Supported by: Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-00160 Graeme Dey: Awards for All Angus South Funding**—That the Parliament welcomes the recent £20,000 Awards for All Scotland funding to two community groups in Angus South; understands that £10,000 has been awarded to Arbroath's Festival of Heroes to assist with the organisation of a public festival that will celebrate and recognise the work of the armed forces and emergency services; notes that the Monikie War Memorial Hall is also to receive £10,000, which will be used to install a new hardwood floor in the main hall, and commends Awards for All Scotland for the funding that it provides to such groups across Angus South.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Clare Haughey\*, Liam Kerr\*, Mairi Evans\*, Rona Mackay\*, George Adam\*, Richard Lyle\*, Bill Kidd\*

**\*S5M-00159 Jackie Baillie: West Dunbartonshire Celebrates Volunteers' Week**—That the Parliament commends West Dunbartonshire Community and Volunteering Services (CVS) on the fantastic work that it does to support volunteers and encourage more people to give up their time to help the community in the Dumbarton and the Vale of Leven area; notes that CVS is hosting an event on 7 June 2016 in Clydebank Town Hall that will coincide with Volunteers' Week, which runs from 1 to 12 June; considers that this will present an ideal opportunity for charities, organisations and people to learn more about the benefits of volunteering, and believes that the valuable contribution made by volunteers in West Dunbartonshire and across Scotland deserves special recognition.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Iain Gray\*

**\*S5M-00158 Jackie Baillie: Dumbarton, the Rock of Ages**—That the Parliament commends the Dumbarton Castle Society and Historic Environment Scotland for organising the Rock of Ages event at Dumbarton Castle on 4 and 5 June 2016; understands that 100 performers will bring 1,000 years of history to life, from the Romans and the Vikings to the First and Second World Wars, to entertain visitors and provide a unique insight into the long and tumultuous history of Dumbarton Castle in the ancient capital of the kingdom of Strathclyde; notes that the event is funded as part of the Year of Innovation, Architecture and Design 2016 celebrations and is now in its second year, and believes that the Rock of Ages event is a great day out for all the family and is a perfect way to showcase the potential of Dumbarton Castle to become the west of Scotland's premier visitor attraction and a key destination for tourists on the way to Loch Lomond.

Supported by: Graeme Dey\*, Bruce Crawford\*, Iain Gray\*, Maurice Corry\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-00157 Clare Adamson: Newmains SWELs**—That the Parliament congratulates Newmains Seniors with Energetic Lifestyles (SWELs), which runs a programme of activities for older people in the community to help them to stay fit and active, on being awarded £6,797 by the Big Lottery

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Awards for All Fund; understands that this will be used to offer a wider range of fitness activities, social events, classes and day trips, and wishes SWELs and its members well in their future endeavours.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Bob Doris\*, Brian Whittle\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-00156 Clare Adamson: Woodhall Ladies Section—**That the Parliament congratulates Wishaw's Woodhall Ladies Section on being awarded a £9,529 Awards for All grant from the Big Lottery Fund, which, it understands, will be used to fund a bingo machine as part of the ladies' weekly activities and a group trip to Wales, and wishes the club and its members well in their activities.

Supported by: Joan McAlpine\*, Bob Doris\*, Clare Haughey\*, Richard Lyle\*

**\*S5M-00155 Richard Lochhead: Congratulations to Moray Handyperson Services—**That the Parliament congratulates Moray Handyperson Services on receiving a £5,850 Awards for All Scotland grant from the Big Lottery Fund; recognises that the organisation offers a range of free services and assistance to older and isolated people in Moray in order to help them live in their own home; understands that this project will contract an IT company to develop a new database and website as well as training to allow Moray Handyperson Services to offer new services; commends the hard work and dedication of staff and volunteers, who help some of the most vulnerable people in Moray remain in their own homes, and praises them for providing such an important and valued service.

Supported by: Graeme Dey\*, Douglas Ross\*, Joan McAlpine\*, John Finnie\*, Sandra White\*

**\*S5M-00154 Angus MacDonald: Falkirk East Groups Receive Awards for All Scotland Funding—**That the Parliament welcomes the latest grants to groups in Falkirk East from Awards for All Scotland; notes that three groups in the Falkirk East constituency have recently been successful in securing a total of £25,212 worth of funding, Falkirk Community Trust Limited has received a £10,000, which will be used to improve the football pitch in Maddiston by installing a new drainage system, Falkirk Bicycle Club has received £5,712 to fund development and improve its cycling events with new software and equipment, and Carron And Carronshore Bowling Club has received £9,500, which will be used to upgrade the club's premises; further notes Awards for All Scotland is a joint programme between Big Lottery Fund Scotland and sportscotland, which gives groups a chance to apply for a grant of between £500 and £10,000 for projects that aim to help improve local communities and the lives of people most in need, and wishes the three successful groups in this round of awards good luck with their projects and continued success for the future.

Supported by: Bruce Crawford\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Graeme Dey\*, Clare Haughey\*, Rona Mackay\*, Mairi Evans\*, Sandra White\*

**\*S5M-00153 Gordon MacDonald: Firrhill High School, School of Tennis—**That the Parliament congratulates Firrhill High School on becoming one of 21 pilot Schools of Tennis being established across the UK; understands that Tennis Scotland has been working in partnership with the Tennis Foundation to grow the game in schools through close links with community-based coaches and clubs; notes that the school will receive £5,000 worth of support for teaching, facilities and equipment to make the sport more relevant and engaging for teenagers, and welcomes this initiative to expand participation in tennis to a wider community.

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Supported by: Ben Macpherson\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Brian Whittle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Sandra White\*

**S5M-00126 Ben Macpherson: UK Government's Proposal to Scrap the Human Rights Act**

—That the Parliament notes with concern the UK Government's proposal to scrap the Human Rights Act 1998; believes that human rights are a crucial part of a democratic society; notes that the abolition of the Act would require the consent of the Scottish Parliament, and believes that such consent should be refused.

Supported by: Christina McKelvie, Michael Russell, Alex Cole-Hamilton, Fulton MacGregor, Emma Harper, Maree Todd, Jenny Gilruth, Rona Mackay, Joan McAlpine, Neil Findlay, Bruce Crawford, Jackie Baillie, Bob Doris, Patrick Harvie, Ross Greer, Bill Kidd, Angus MacDonald\*, Gillian Martin\*, John Finnie\*, John Mason\*, Ruth Maguire\*

**\*S5M-00126.1 Adam Tomkins: UK Government's Proposal to Scrap the Human Rights Act**

—As an amendment to motion S5M-00126 in the name of Ben Macpherson (UK Government's Proposal to Scrap the Human Rights Act), leave out from "with concern" to end and insert "that the replacement of the Human Rights Act 1998 with a British bill of rights was a Conservative Party manifesto commitment in 2015; recognises that, under Schedule 4 of the Scotland Act 1998, modifications to the Human Rights Act 1998 are a matter for the UK Parliament; welcomes that the UK Government has undertaken to consult on its proposals; believes that there are many ways of giving legal effect to human rights under UK constitutional law; looks forward to engaging constructively with the UK Government and the UK Parliament to improve the UK's human rights laws, and believes that this will be consistent with the Conservative administration's manifesto commitment".

**Motions and amendments which have attracted additional support**

**S5M-00152 Stuart McMillan: Award for George Munro of the Greenock Telegraph** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Graeme Dey\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Rona Mackay\*, Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-00151 Lewis Macdonald: Publication of Aberdeen and Grampian Chamber of Commerce Oil and Gas Survey** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Richard Leonard\*

**S5M-00150 Stuart McMillan: Inverclyde Sports Personality Awards** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*, Graeme Dey\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Brian Whittle\*, Rona Mackay\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S5M-00149 Ash Denham: Congratulations to Circus Alba** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Graeme Dey\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Mairi Evans\*, Rona Mackay\*, Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-00148 Richard Lochhead: The Malt Whisky Trail, a New Voice for an International Icon** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

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New Support: Miles Briggs\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Gillian Martin\*, Neil Findlay\*, Graeme Dey\*, Joan McAlpine\*, John Finnie\*, Kenneth Gibson\*, Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-00147 Ross Greer: Austrian Presidential Election Result** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Angus MacDonald\*, Gillian Martin\*, John Mason\*, Bob Doris\*, John Finnie\*, Richard Lyle\*, Andy Wightman\*

**S5M-00146 Willie Coffey: Congratulations to Kilmarnock Football Club** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: George Adam\*, Ben Macpherson\*, Graeme Dey\*, Neil Findlay\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Bob Doris\*, Brian Whittle\*, Richard Lyle\*, Kenneth Gibson\*

**S5M-00145 Iain Gray: Hibernian FC, Scottish Cup Winners 2016** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Jeremy Balfour\*, Bob Doris\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Mary Fee\*

**S5M-00144 Elaine Smith: Keep Monklands' Dermatology Ward Open** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Richard Leonard\*

**S5M-00143 George Adam: World MS Day** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Miles Briggs\*, Gillian Martin\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Neil Findlay\*, John Mason\*, Richard Leonard\*, Bob Doris\*, Rona Mackay\*, Alison Johnstone\*, John Finnie\*, Ruth Maguire\*, Andy Wightman\*

**S5M-00141 Gail Ross: Congratulations to Wick Harbour** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Graeme Dey\*, Joan McAlpine\*, Bob Doris\*, Alison Johnstone\*, Andy Wightman\*, Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-00140 Neil Findlay: Ken Loach Wins Palme d'Or** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Alison Johnstone\*

**S5M-00139 Neil Findlay: Waiting Times and NHS Lothian** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Richard Leonard\*

**S5M-00138 Joan McAlpine: Scotland's World Rugby Sevens Series Title** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*, Angus MacDonald\*, Miles Briggs\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Brian Whittle\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**S5M-00136 Ross Greer: Turkish Democracy** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Christina McKelvie\*, Bob Doris\*, Andy Wightman\*, John Finnie\*

**S5M-00135 Christine Grahame: Gardening is Good for You** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Andy Wightman\*, Clare Haughey\*, Alison Johnstone\*

**S5M-00134 Rachael Hamilton: Congratulations to Dale Brown** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liam Kerr\*, Alison Johnstone\*

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**S5M-00133 Michael Russell: Audit Scotland Report on the Argyll and Bute Council Budget Setting Process 2016-17** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Richard Lyle\*

**S5M-00132 Richard Lyle: Celebrating the Bellshill Street Fair 2016** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Clare Haughey\*, Graham Simpson\*

**S5M-00130 Andy Wightman: Gender Balance on the Scottish Parliamentary Corporate Body and the Parliamentary Bureau** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Gillian Martin\*, Alex Cole-Hamilton\*

**S5M-00128 John Lamont: Congratulations to Scottish Education Awards Finalists from Hawick** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Margaret Mitchell\*, Jeremy Balfour\*, Liam Kerr\*

**S5M-00127 Elaine Smith: Comprehensive Economic and Trade Agreement** (lodged on 23 May 2016)

New Support: Neil Findlay\*, Richard Leonard\*, Andy Wightman\*

**S5M-00125 John Mason: UN Calls on Turkey to Allow Observer Access to Kurdish Areas** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Bob Doris\*, John Finnie\*

**S5M-00124 Graeme Dey: Arbroath Ladies Lifeboat Guild** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*

**S5M-00123 David Torrance: Congratulations to Fair Isle Primary School** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald\*

**S5M-00122 Colin Beattie: Alba Bioscience Receives Queen's Award for Enterprise** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Gordon MacDonald\*, Clare Haughey\*

**S5M-00121 Sandra White: Glasgow 2016 Homelessness World Cup Legacy Project** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*, Brian Whittle\*

**S5M-00115 Alex Cole-Hamilton: Muirfield Golf Club and Gender Discrimination** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00114 Ben Macpherson: Opening of Edinburgh Remakery** (lodged on 20 May 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*, Graeme Dey\*, Gordon MacDonald\*, Rona Mackay\*

**S5M-00102 Liam McArthur: Young Farmers' Are Ewe Okay? Campaign** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

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New Support: Clare Haughey\*, John Finnie\*

**S5M-00100 Stuart McMillan: Clyde and Hebrides Ferry Services** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00099 Rhoda Grant: RBS Opening Hours** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00097 Fulton MacGregor: Congratulations to New Kidz, Coatbridge at the European Dance Championships** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

New Support: Clare Haughey\*

**S5M-00096 Tavish Scott: Congratulations to Shetland's Lean Learning Academy** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00095 Douglas Ross: Veterinary Disease Surveillance in Highlands and Islands** (lodged on 19 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00081 Lewis Macdonald: France Honours North East and Highland Veterans** (lodged on 18 May 2016)

New Support: John Finnie\*

**S5M-00046 Graeme Dey: Congratulations to Beth Morrison** (lodged on 17 May 2016)

New Support: Mike Rumbles\*

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## Written Questions

Questions in which a member has indicated a declarable interest are marked with an "R".

### Written questions lodged on 24 May 2016

**S5W-00190 Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many university students have graduated in ICT courses in each of the last 10 years.

**S5W-00191 Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government how many university training places for teaching ICT subjects there have been in each of the last 10 years, also broken down by the number of places that were unfilled.

**S5W-00193 Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what workforce planning it has carried out regarding the recruitment of school teachers in ICT subjects.

**S5W-00194 Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what plans it has to recruit more school teachers in ICT subjects.

**S5W-00195 Liz Smith:** To ask the Scottish Government what information it has regarding how many school teachers have other paid jobs.

**S5W-00196 Angus MacDonald:** To ask the Scottish Government, further to the answer to question S4W-30593 by Shona Robison on 18 March 2016, on what date it will begin to make interim payments to the affected groups.

**S5W-00197 Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what obligations under the 2016-17 National Care Home Contract do charitable organisations have to pay the living wage to care staff, and what action it could take if they fail to do so.

**S5W-00198 Douglas Ross:** To ask the Scottish Government what action it will take to monitor the impact of the 2016-17 National Care Home Contract settlement for any negative consequences.

**S5W-00200 James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports in *The Sunday Post* on 21 May 2016 suggesting that Glasgow Prestwick Airport spent (a) £600,000 on management consultants, (b) £90,000 on recruitment consultants and (c) £15,000 on a four-day team building exercise for executives, and what discussions it has had with the airport's operators with regard to this matter.

**S5W-00201 James Kelly:** To ask the Scottish Government what its response is to reports in *The Sunday Post* on 21 May 2016 suggesting that senior management at Glasgow Prestwick Airport have filed expenses claims for staying at five-star hotels, including in London and Las Vegas, and what discussions it has had with the airport's operators with regard to this matter.

**S5W-00202 Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government what powers, and under what legislation or judicial authority, the Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities has to deal with local authority officers who wilfully mislead elected councillors.

**S5W-00203 Jackson Carlaw:** To ask the Scottish Government whether it considers that the powers available to it to deal with local authority officers who wilfully mislead elected councillors to be fit for purpose and what the reasons are for its position on this matter.

**S5W-00205 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what services will be available at the new East Lothian community hospital and when people will be able to access these.

**S5W-00207 Rachael Hamilton:** To ask the Scottish Government what the estimated completion date is for the new East Lothian community hospital.

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## Progress of Subordinate Legislation

**Subordinate Legislation** (*date of laying*)

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